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FSSAI Clarifies Role on Alcohol Licensing and Registration

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Report Highlights:

On December 26, 2012, The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) clarified its role on the licensing and registration of alcoholic beverages.

General Information:

Introduction: On December 26, 2012, The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) clarified its role on the licensing and registration of alcoholic beverages. FSSAI stated in an advisory notice that its role in regulating alcoholic beverages is limited to the framing of safety standards for alcoholic drinks. All food business operators dealing with standard alcoholic drinks and wine (outside of food safety issues) may apply directly to the relevant central government, state government, or union territory licensing and registration authority for issuance of licenses and registration.

The full text of the FSSAI advisory can be accessed at <u>FSSAI Clarifies Role on Alcohol Licensing and Registration</u>.

Agency in Charge: Food Safety and Standards Authority of India, Government of India.